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Office Action Summary

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 21 May 2007.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-8 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-8 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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Detailed Action

1. Claims 1-8 are presented for examination.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 102

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. § 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(a) the invention was known or used by others in this country, or patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country, before the invention thereof by the applicant for a patent.

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

3. Claims 1-8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Sakakibara et al., U.S. Patent 5,590,353.

A) As to claims 1 and 4, Sakakibara et al. discloses the invention as claimed. There is a method for transmitting a vector in a computer system comprising a processor (see Fig 1), a multi-port memory (Fig 1 Ref 220), passing a base memory address to an address configuration means (see Col 1 Lines 13-56 and Col 15 Line 15 to Col 16 Line 55; specifically Fig 5 Ref 191-1, see Col 15 Lines 30-65), defining a set of memory addresses by the address configuration means using the base memory address and a configuration instruction for configuring the address configuration means (see Col 15 Line 15 to Col 16 Line 55), transmitting the vector to/from the multi-port memory at one time using the set of memory addresses (see Col 15 Line 15 to Col 16 Line 55).

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- B) As to claims 2 and 5, the address configuration means does include a plurality of register files (see Fig 1 Ref 191, 192, 193, and 194).
 - C) As to claims 3 and 6, the configuration does include an offset (see Col 15 Line 30 to Col 16 Line 23).
 - D) As to claim 7, the multi-port memory and the address configuration means can be considered to be included in a "memory system" (see Fig 1).
 - E) As to claim 8, the limitations have been addressed with respect to claim 1 above. As for the computer program it is inherent that a "program" would be executed by Sakakibara et al. that would cause the addresses to be created that are provided to the multi-port memory.

- 4. Claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, and 8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Duboc, U.S. Patent 6,463,518.

- A) As to claims 1 and 4, Duboc discloses the invention as claimed. There is a method for transmitting a vector in a computer system comprising a processor (see Fig 2 Ref 12), a multi-port memory (Fig 2 Ref 14), passing a base memory address to an address configuration means (Fig 2 Ref 40 and Col 8 Lines 32-42), defining a set of memory addresses by the address configuration means using the base memory address and a configuration instruction for configuring the address configuration means (see Fig 4 and Col 8 Line 42 to Col 9 Line 65), transmitting the vector to/from the multi-port memory at one time using the set of memory addresses (see Col 6 Line 63 to Col 7 Line 43).

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- B) As to claims 2 and 5, the address configuration means does include a plurality of register files (see Fig 4).
- C) As to claim 7, the multi-port memory and the address configuration means can be considered to be included in a "memory system" (see Fig 2).
- D) As to claim 8, the limitations have been addressed with respect to claim 1 above. As for the computer program it is inherent that a "program" would be executed by Duboc that would cause the addresses to be created that are provided to the multi-port memory.

Response to Arguments

5. Applicant's arguments filed 5/21/07 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. Applicant argues that a feature of the present invention is that a single base address is used to define a set of addresses. While the systems of Sakakibara and Duboc have multiple base address registers, nothing prevents these systems from loading the same base address value into each of the base address registers. This would then mean that a single base address is used to define a set of address as argued by Applicant. Applicant points to figure 2 which shows a single base address register value is supplied to multiple different address calculation units. However, this structure isn't present in the claimed invention.

Conclusion

6. **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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7. A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.
8. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kevin L. Ellis whose telephone number is 571-272-4205. The examiner can normally be reached on weekdays from 6:00AM-2:30PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Hyung Sough can be reached on 571-272-6799. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-272-8300.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-305-3900.

Kevin L. Ellis
Primary Examiner
July 31, 2007

Kevin L. Ellis